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City of Riverside's Water Quality Control Plant Receives Peak Performance Award

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – The Riverside Water Quality Control Plant has been selected to receive a Gold *Peak Performance Award*. The *Peak Performance Awards* program presented by the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) recognizes public wastewater treatment facilities for their outstanding compliance records in the 2010 calendar year. NACWA was proud to recognize over 400 *Peak Performance Award* facilities during the Association's 2011 Summer Conference and 41st Annual Meeting, held July 19-22, 2011 in Chicago, Illinois.

The Riverside Water Quality Control Plant provides treatment of all domestic and industrial wastewater generated within the City of Riverside and in the Rubidoux, Edgemont, and Jurupa Community Services Districts. Treated water (effluent) from the Riverside Water Quality Control Plant flows into the Santa Ana River and downstream to the ocean.

The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits set effluent limits to maintain environmental standards that ensure safe water for the enjoyment of all. The Gold Peak Performance Award honors treatment works which have achieved 100 percent compliance with their NPDES permit for an entire calendar year.

"The Riverside Water Quality Control Plant is an outstanding example of environmental efforts. NACWA is honored to showcase the achievements of the City of Riverside and our nation's public wastewater utilities through the *Peak Performance Awards Program*." Ken Kirk, NACWA's Executive Director.

For more information on The City of Riverside's water quality efforts, contact Gary Valladao at 951-351-6140, or visit www.riversideca.gov/sewer.

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